

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, September 19, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Kahn, Green, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Members absent/excused: Reps. Nofs, Mortimer

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2006 meeting. Representative Hune supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 6308 and HB 6309 before the committee.

HB 6308 Sak

Counties; employees and officers; notification of county medical examiners to verify identification through fingerprints, dental records, DNA, or other definitive identification procedures; require under certain circumstances.

HB 6309 Sak

Health; code; county medical examiner verification of identity of dead body under certain circumstances; require to comply with county medical examiners act.

Representative Michael Sak, sponsor of HB 6308 and HB 6309, testified in support of the bills.

Oksana Bohatch of Grand Rapids testified in support of the bills.

William Bement of Grand Rapids testified in support of the bills.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bills, but did not wish to testify:

Bohdan Bohatch of Kentwood.

Michele Bement of Grand Rapids.

Crickett Sweet of Lowell.

Tom Pierson of Grand Rapids.

Sandra Caswell of Alto.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Dave Finkbeiner of the Michigan Health and Hospital Association submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the bill, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6308. Representative Hune supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6308 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Gleason moved to report HB 6309 with recommendation. Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 6039 before the committee.

HB 6039 Newell Health; funding; health care information technology and infrastructure development fund; create.

Representative Gary Newell, sponsor of HB 6039, testified in support of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Doug Borruso of the Michigan Osteopathic Association.

Dave Finkbeiner of the Michigan Health and Hospital Association.

Felicia Wasson of Ascension Health-Michigan.

Tina Grant of Trinity Health.

Christine Shearer of the Michigan Association of Health Plans.

Bret Marr of Spectrum Health.

Colin Ford of the Michigan State Medical Society.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-2) for HB 6039. Representative Vander

Veen supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6039 with recommendation as substitute (H-2). Representative Vander Veen supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 6323 before the committee.

HB 6323 Newell Health; pharmaceuticals; acceptance of facsimile and electronic prescriptions with electronic signatures; clarify and provide for.

Representative Gary Newell, sponsor of HB 6323, testified in support of the bill.

Greg Baran of the Michigan Pharmacists Association testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Ken Whittemore Jr. of SureScripts testified in support of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Tina Grant of Trinity Health.

Nicole Nystrom of CareMark.

Rose Baran of Felpausch Pharmacy.

Christine Shearer of the Michigan Association of Health Plans.

Dave Ladd of Medco Health Solutions.

Felicia Wasson of St. John Health.

Dave Finkbeiner of the Michigan Health and Hospital Association.

George Carr of Express Scripts.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6323. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball,

Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6323 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Kahn, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Robertson moved to excuse the absence of Representatives Nofs and Mortimer. Representative Vander Veen supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair _____

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk.

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